



# City of Annapolis

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## Historic Preservation Commission

April 24, 2014

The Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) of the City of Annapolis held its regularly scheduled public meeting on April 24, 2014 in the City Council Chambers. **Chair** Kennedy called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

**Commissioners Present:** **Chair** Kennedy, **Vice Chair** Leahy, Kabriel, Finch, Phillips, Zeno, Toews

**Staff Present:** Craig-Historic Preservation Officer

**Chair** Kennedy introduced the commissioners and staff. She stated the Commission's purpose pursuant to the authority of land use articles and administered the oath en mass to all persons intending to testify at the hearing.

### C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#### September 26, 2013, December 10, 2013, January 23, 2014, and February 11, 2014 and February 27, 2014

Mr. Toews moved approval of the September 26, 2013 and December 10, 2013 as submitted, the January 23, 2014, February 11, 2014 and February 27, 2014 as amended. **Vice Chair** Leahy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 7-0.

### D. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Craig reminded the HPC members who plan to attend the the National Alliance of Preservation Commissions Forum to sign up because spots are filling fast and the reimbursement totals were sent out for review.

Ms. Finch said that the Spring Issue of the Maryland Historical Society has a very good article on the history of the City Dock and Circle.

**Vice Chair** Leahy will be sending staff the location of a news rack that is full of trash.

### E. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

#### 1. Cultural Resource Hazard Mitigation Plan for the Annapolis Historic District Presentation

Ms. Craig provided a presentation on the Cultural Resource Hazard Mitigation Plan and went over the plan the Department has for addressing hazard mitigation. She did a small presentation for the Ward One Residents Association who provided her feedback and is also interested in feedback from the HPC on the presentation. She opened by explaining that the City's Historic Preservation is partnering with local, Federal and State agencies, nonprofit organizations to develop a cultural resource hazard mitigation plan for Annapolis. She explained that while the focus is primarily on the Annapolis historic district, it also includes portions of Eastport within the 100-foot floodplain. She said the plan when finalized will not only address issues of coastal flooding or sea level rise but other hazards in the City such as fire, earthquakes, high winds or things that wreak havoc on historic assets. She indicated that this presentation will focus on sea level rise because that is where most of the funding in the early stages of this project has come. The City is developing a property inventory; conducting a public outreach program; developing a risk assessment tool; and some model mitigation projects. She went over the processes that are included in the plan. She said that the City has a natural hazard mitigation plan that does not deal with property issues but addresses life safety issues so that plan will be amended to include property issues. There are four major steps to the plan, organizing efforts to

develop an effective mitigation plan; identifying the hazards and assessing losses to the community; setting mitigation priorities and goals; and implementing the mitigation plan. She concluded the presentation by asking for feedback on what buildings could be included in the presentation as a case study.

With there being no further business, **Vice Chair** Leahy moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:50pm. Mr. Kabriel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 5-0.

**The next meeting is scheduled for May 13, 2014 at 7:30pm at the City Council Chambers.**

Tami Hook, Recorder